Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently amended) A method for monitoring accesses to a resource in an electronic system, wherein access to the resource is based on payments in electronic security value units, said method comprising the steps of:

      detecting patterns of payments for said resource <u>over a plurality of users</u> in electronic security value units; and

      comparing said patterns of payments to predetermined patterns of payment.

2.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:

      determining a difference in the compared patterns of payments to said predetermined patterns of payment,

      wherein when said difference is greater than a predetermined difference, an attack is indicated.

3.   (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said resource is a set of resources.

4.   (New) A method for monitoring accesses to a resource in an electronic system, wherein access to the resource is based on payments in electronic security value units, said method comprising the steps of:

      detecting incoming patterns of payments received for said resource in electronic security value units; and

      comparing said patterns of payments to predetermined patterns of payment.

5.   (New) The method of claim 4, further comprising the step of:

      determining a difference in the compared patterns of payments to said predetermined patterns of payment,

      wherein when said difference is greater than a predetermined difference, an attack is indicated.

6.   (New) The method of claim 4, wherein said resource is a set of resources.

7.   (New) A method for monitoring accesses to a resource in an electronic system, wherein access to the resource is based on payments in electronic security value units, said method comprising the steps of:

detecting patterns of payments, irrespective of source, for said resource in electronic security value units; and

comparing said patterns of payments to predetermined patterns of payment.

8.   (New) The method of claim 7, further comprising the step of:

determining a difference in the compared patterns of payments to said predetermined patterns of payment,

wherein when said difference is greater than a predetermined difference, an attack is indicated.

9.   (New) The method of claim 7, wherein said resource is a set of resources.

10.   (New) A method for monitoring accesses to a resource in an electronic system, wherein access to the resource is based on payments in electronic security value units, said method comprising the steps of:

detecting patterns of payments for said resource over all users in electronic security value units; and

comparing said patterns of payments to predetermined patterns of payment.

11.   (New) The method of claim 10, further comprising the step of:

determining a difference in the compared patterns of payments to said predetermined patterns of payment,

wherein when said difference is greater than a predetermined difference, an attack is indicated.

12.　　(New) The method of claim 10, wherein said resource is a set of resources.